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Senate Bill 511

By: Senators Tate of the 38th, Reed of the 35th, Shafer of the 48th, Adelman of the 42nd and Orrock of the 36th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 15-18-80 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 policy and procedure, so as to provide for pretrial intervention and diversion programs; to
- 3 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 SECTION 1.

- 6 Code Section 15-18-80 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to policy and
- 7 procedure, is amended by revising subsection (a) as follows:
- 8 "(a) The prosecuting attorneys for each judicial circuit of this state shall be authorized to
- 9 create and administer a Pretrial Intervention and Diversion Program. The prosecuting
- attorney <u>and solicitor</u> for state courts, probate courts, magistrate courts, municipal courts,
- drug courts, mental health courts, community courts, problem-solving courts, and any other
- court that hears cases involving a violation of the criminal laws of this state or ordinance
- violations shall also be authorized to create and administer a Pretrial Intervention and
- Diversion Program for offenses within the jurisdiction of such courts."

SECTION 2.

16 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.